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SUBJ: DHEW/OAS/OIH - FRG AGREEMENT FOR HEALTH COOPERATION

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1. DHEW/OIH EXTREMELY APPRECIATIVE OF AMEMB EFFORTS PER REFTEL (A) AND THOUGHTFUL RESPONSES TO DATE. IN VIEW OF INTERIM RESPONSES FROM AMEMB PER REFTELS (B) AND (C), DHEW/ OIH PROVIDES ADDITIONAL COMMENT AND INQUIRY BELOW.

2. DHEW/MOH CONVERSATIONS OVER PAST SEVERAL YEARS HAVE LED TO JOINT UNDERSTANDING THAT FORMAL AGREEMENT FOR COOPERATION WOULD NOT BE USEFUL. HAS MOH CHANGED OPINION? ALSO, MORT INTERESTS IN SUCH AGREEMENT PROBLEMATIC ESPECIALLY SINCE OVERLAPING AND AS YET UNCLEAR (TO DHEW) MORT AND MOH RESPONSIBILITIES IN HEALTH RESEARCH.

3. REFTEL (C), PARA. 3 INDICATES MORT PLAN FOR GOVERNMENT-TO-GOVERNMENT AGREEMENT. WHO WOULD BE SIGNATORIES?

4. WHILE DHEW/OIH STILL CONSIDERS THAT FORMAL AGREEMENT IS UNNECESSARY THEY ARE NOT TOTALLY OPPOSED TO CONCEPT IF LANGUAGE IS DESIGNED TO ENCOURAGE RESEARCH BETWEEN COUNTRIES WITHOUT AN IDENTIFICATION OF LEVEL OF ACTIVITY OR COMMITMENTS FOR SPECIFIC TOPICS. IS THIS TYPE OF FRAME-LIMITED OFFICIAL USE
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WORK AGREEMENT MORT PLANS OR DO THEY WANT MORE DETAILED PLANS?

5. DHEW/OIH WOULD APPRECIATE ANY AMEMB VIEW ON CONDUCT

AND CONTENT OF OCTOBER MEETINGS WITH MATTHOFER. DHEW
CONCURS WITH OPINION PER REFTL (C) PARA. 4 THAT NO
DOCUMENT CAN BE SIGNED IN OCTOBER MEETING. INGERSOLL

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